In the claims:

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1. (Previously Presented) A method for measuring the performance of a scalable network comprising:

preparing a network under test for testing;

establishing a routing path for a session to be tested wherein said routing path is a static IP route;

sending, by a packet generator at a first end of said Static IP route, a constant stream of packets through a network under test;

counting, by a packet count unit, received packets at the packet count unit at a second end of said static IP route; and

establishing a peak performance rate as the highest rate with no packet dropout.

2-4. (Cancelled)

- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said act of sending a constant stream of packets includes the act of sending said constant stream of packets over an OC-3 level network.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said act of sending a constant stream of packets includes the act of sending said constant stream of packets over an OC-12 level network.
- 7. (Previously Presented) A program storage device readable by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to

perform a method for measuring the performance of a scalable network, said method comprising:

preparing the network for testing;

establishing a routing path for a session to be tested wherein said routing path is a static IP route a server at a first end of said route and a client node at a second end of said route;

sending, by a server, a constant stream of packets to a client node; counting, by said client node, said packets received at said client node; and

establishing a peak performance rate as the highest rate with no packet dropout.

8-10. (Cancelled)

- 11. (Original) The program storage device of claim 7, wherein said act of sending a constant stream of packets includes the act of sending said constant stream of packets over an OC-3 level network.
- 12. (Original) The program storage device of claim 7, wherein said act of sending a constant stream of packets includes the act of sending said constant stream of packets over an OC-12 level network.
- 13. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for measuring the performance of a scalable network comprising:

means for preparing the network for testing;

means for establishing a routing path for a session to be tested wherein said routing path is a static IP route having a server at a first end of said route and a client node at a second end of said route;

means in a server for sending a constant stream of packets to a client node;
means in said client node for counting said packets received by said client
node; and

means for establishing a peak performance rate as the highest rate with no packet dropout.

14-16. (Cancelled)

- 17. (Original) The method of claim 13, means for sending a constant stream of packets includes the act of sending said constant stream of packets over an OC-3 level network.
- 18. (Original) The method of claim 13, means for sending a constant stream of packets includes the act of sending said constant stream of packets over an OC-12 level network.
- 19. (Previously Presented) A system for measuring the performance of a scalable network comprising:
- a packet generator in a source node at a first end of a static IP route for providing test packets to a network under test;
- a packet count unit in a client node at a second end of said static IP route for counting test packets received by said client node from said network under test; and
- wherein said test packets are provided in a constant stream to said network under test and wherein a peak performance rate of said network under test is established as the maximum receive rate at a particular packet size with no packet dropout.

- 20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein said network under test comprises a OC-3 level network.
- 21. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein said network under test comprises a OC-12 level network.

22-24. (Cancelled)

- 25. (Original) The system of claim 20, wherein said network under test includes two Fast Ethernet pathways.
- 26. (Original) The system of claim 21, wherein said network under test includes eight Fast Ethernet pathways.
- 27. (Original) The system of claim 21, wherein said network under test includes at least two Gigabit Ethernet pathways.
- 28. (Original) The system of claim 21, wherein said network under test includes four OC-3 pathways.
- 29. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein said packet generator is configured using Pagent software.
- 30. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein said system is configured to download a test configuration file from a TFTP server.